

## **Exhibit 30**

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1 STATE OF ILLINOIS )  
2 ) SS:  
3 COUNTY OF C O O K )  
4 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
5 COUNTY DEPARTMENT - CHANCERY DIVISION  
6  
7 BYRON BARRETT, individually and on )  
8 behalf of all others similarly )  
9 situated, ) **ORIGINAL**  
10 Plaintiffs, )  
11 v. ) NO. 07 CH 20924  
12 RC2 CORPORATION, )  
13 Defendant. )  
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15 TRANSCRIPT OF PROCEEDINGS had in the  
16 above-entitled cause on the 29th day of January,  
17 A.D. 2008, at 10:55 a.m.

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19 BEFORE: HONORABLE WILLIAM O. MAKI.  
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1 APPEARANCE:

2 HAGENS BERMAN SOBOL SHAPIRO, LLP.,  
3 (820 North Boulevard, Suite B,  
4 Oak Park, Illinois 60302,  
5 708-776-5600), by:  
6 MS. ELIZABETH A. FEGAN and  
7 MR. DANIEL J. KUROWSKI,  
8 appeared on behalf of the Plaintiffs and  
9 Intervenors;

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11 KAMBEREDELSON, LLC,  
12 (53 West Jackson Boulevard, Suite 1530,  
13 Chicago, Illinois 60604,  
14 312-589-6378), by:  
15 MR. JAY EDELSON and MR. STEVEN LEZELL,  
16 appeared on behalf of the Plaintiffs;

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18 TABET DIVITO & ROTHSTEIN,  
19 (The Rookery Building, 209 S. LaSalle Street,  
20 7th Floor,  
21 Chicago, Illinois 60604,  
22 312-762-9460), by:  
23 MR. GINO L. DIVITO,  
24 appeared on behalf of the Plaintiffs;

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1 APPEARANCE:

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3 ICE MILLER, LLP.,  
4 (2300 Cabot Drive, Suite 455,  
5 Lisle, Illinois 60532,  
6 630-955-6392), by:  
7 MR. BART T. MURPHY,  
8 appeared on behalf of the Defendant.  
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10 ALSO PRESENT:

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12 SHEFSKY & FROELICH, LTD.,  
13 (111 East Wacker Drive, Suite 2800,  
14 Chicago, Illinois 60601,  
15 312-836-4071), by:  
16 MR. TIMOTHY J. EATON and MR. JAMES WILSON;  
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18 KAPLAN FOX & KILSHEIMER, LLP.,  
19 (350 Sansome Street,  
20 San Francisco, California 94104,  
21 415-772-4700), by:  
22 MR. LAURENCE D. KING.

23 REPORTED BY: MIGDALIA MONTERO, C.S.R.

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1 December 10th settlement offer, a formal demand that  
2 they made to the defendant.

3 I think what they don't realize is we had  
4 already reached a settlement on, I believe, November  
5 30th in front of Judge Boharic. We had a memorandum  
6 of understanding and all these terms of the  
7 settlement, and then we were just writing it up. As  
8 Counsel knows, it takes sometime to write up these  
9 complex settlement agreements. So there was a  
10 situation where the defendant wasn't pitting one  
11 side against the other. We, in fact, asked for  
12 repeated assurances during the settlement process --

13 THE COURT: Can I just interject here for a  
14 question at this point? One of the matters that  
15 Hagens Berman raises on Page 10 of their brief that  
16 they filed today, it says, "Defendant did not appear  
17 in the case until January 24th, 2008, after  
18 preliminary approval was granted." Is that true?

19 MR. MURPHY: It's true, Your Honor. I didn't  
20 file my appearance until then. It wasn't  
21 intentional. I just realized it was an oversight  
22 that I hadn't filed an appearance until that time.

23 THE COURT: So it was an oversight?

24 MR. MURPHY: Yes.

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1 THE COURT: When did you file it?

2 MR. MURPHY: January 24th. I believe it was  
3 the 24th, possibly the 23rd, whatever the date they  
4 allege in one of their -- I'm not sure if it was the  
5 23rd or 24th.

6 MR. EDELSON: That actually goes to an  
7 important point, where they try to create this  
8 impression that we were keeping everybody in the  
9 dark. That's not true. When we filed our case in  
10 Cook County, the case got substantial press. I  
11 think it was the "Case of the Day" in the Chicago  
12 Daily Law Bulletin. Our co-counsel, Bill Audet, put  
13 the information about this case on his website. I  
14 spoke at a symposium, where I talked about -- I  
15 actually compared this case to the pet food case  
16 that we have with Hagens Berman. When the press has  
17 asked me about these types of issues, I have talked  
18 about it. The idea that we were in anyway hiding  
19 these cases, it's just not true. But again, I'm  
20 starting to believe this isn't a matter of Hagens  
21 Berman making things up. I just think they are just  
22 misinformed.

23 Back to what is actually before the  
24 Court, Hagens Berman has at a lot of different

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1 absolutely this Court and Judge Leinenweber should  
2 have the opportunity to coordinate and figure out  
3 how these issues are going to be unraveled.

4           Ultimately, Your Honor, the objection  
5 date and the final approval date wasn't until  
6 sometime in April, so taking an extra seven days or  
7 fourteen days to make sure these issues are worked  
8 out now is going to save everybody time in the long  
9 run and will still get everybody to the end game.  
10 So the harm here, Your Honor, isn't pushing ahead  
11 merely because they want to push ahead quickly so  
12 that the issues can't be heard.

13           MR. MURPHY: Your Honor, since some allegations  
14 are being leveled against me and we are on the  
15 record, I would like to respond real briefly. I  
16 don't want to waste everyone's time here.

17           First off, if you want to be technical  
18 about it, I believe I did commit last week, and not  
19 me, my client actually paid. What I committed to  
20 yesterday was releasing the proof, so that it can go  
21 to the printer. So the actual monies had to be  
22 wired to the ad agency last week I believe, if we  
23 want to be technical about it, which Ms. Fegan is  
24 evidently interested in being technical about it.